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SUBJECT: NEW GDR BANK NOTES

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1. FIRST OF LONG-HERALDED NEW GDR BANK NOTES MADE INITIAL APPEARANCE IN EAST BERLIN IN SECOND HALF OF JULY. NEW 50-MARK NOTE, LIKE OLD ONE (ISSUED IN 1964), BEARS VISAGE OF FRIEDRICH ENGELS BUT LEGENTD "MARK DER DEUTSCHEN DEMOKRATISCHEN REPUBLIK" REPLACES MARK DER DEUTSCHEN NOTENBANK." NEW NOTE'S ISSUER IS GIVEN AS "STAATSBANK DER DDR", AND DATE OF ISSUE AS 1971. NEW NOTE IS BRIGHT MAROON RATHER THAN OLD GREYISH GREEN AND IS SLIGHTLY SMALLER THAN CURRENT FIVE AND TEN MARK NOTES, WHICH ARE MOST DIMINUTIVE GDR BANK NOTES NOW EXTANT.

2. OLD AND NEW GDR 50 MARK NOTES ARE CIRCULATING SIDE
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BY SIDE AND, IN ABSENCE INFORMATION TO THE CONTRARY,

WE ASSUME THEY WILL CONTINUE SO TO CIRCULATE FOR A
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